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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: N. MIYADERA, et al.

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Title: CURVED OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE AND OPTICAL DEVICE

Group AU: 2874

Examiner: Michelle R. Connelly

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RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

June 12, 2008

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2008, which replaced the Office Action mailed March 28, 2008, Applicants respectfully elect the Group III claims (that is, claims 22, 23, 26-28, 49 and 50-66) for prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. This election is made without traverse.

The Interview Summary mailed May 12, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application, is noted. This Interview Summary accurately sets forth the substance of the interview conducted on May 2, 2008; that is, the undersigned contacted the Examiner by telephone to request reconsideration of the restriction requirement in the Office Action mailed March 28, 2008. The Examiner reconsidered such restriction requirement, and issued a new restriction requirement in the aforementioned Office Action mailed May 14, 2008, to which a response is being filed herein.

Examination of the Group III claims, on the merits, in due course, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Kindly charge any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (case X00), and please credit any overpayments to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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